

FIFTY-SECOND DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment; President in the chair.

Roll called; quorum present.

Prayer by Elder Wm. E. Hall.

On motion of Senator Burton, the reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with and the same adopted.

Senator Lane, chairman of Committee on Finance, submitted the following reports:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 11, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred House bill No. 91, "An act to authorize the refunding of moneys paid into the General Land Office, under the provisions of 'an act to authorize the location, sale and settlement of the Mississippi and Pacific Railroad reserve,' passed August 26, 1856, and the provisions of a supplemental act entitled 'an act supplemental to an act to authorize the location, sale and settlement of the Mississippi and Pacific Railroad reserve,' approved November 28, 1857, in all cases wherein the State failed to patent the lands for which such moneys were paid, and to make an appropriation therefor," have considered the same, and I am instructed by the committee to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

LANE, Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 11, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred House bill No. 570, "An act to authorize and empower the Treasurer, with the advice and consent of the Governor and Comptroller, to use surplus moneys that may be at any time in the State Treasury belonging to the general fund, for the purchase and retirement of outstanding bonds of the State," have considered the same, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate, with the accompanying amendment, and as amended, to recommend that it do pass.

Committee amendment: "Insert after the word 'same,' on line 18, page 1, of original bill, 'and the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars.'"

LANE, Chairman.

Bill read first time with committee amendment.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 11, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 39, "Reviving certain appropriations for the payment of the second class debt," have considered the same, and the committee instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LANE, Chairman.

Resolution read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 11, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 262, "An act to authorize the cancellation and destruction of unsold and useless bonds now in New York city and the Treasury," have considered the same, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate and recommend its passage.

LANE, Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 11, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 240, "An act for the relief of John P. Williams, late sheriff of Wood county," have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed by the committee to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LANE, Chairman.

Bill read first time.

Senator Weatherred, chairman of Committee on Judicial Districts, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 11, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred House bill No. 576, entitled "An act to provide for the change of

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time of holding the terms of the District Court of Gonzales county;" also, House bill No. 559, entitled "An act to define the time for holding the District Court of Kaufman county;" and, also, Senate bill No. 261, entitled "An act prescribing the times of holding the District Courts in the Fourteenth Judicial District," have duly considered the same, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate and recommend their passage.

WEATHERRED, Chairman.

Bills read first time.

Senator Hightower, for the Committee on State Affairs, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 248, beg leave to report that it has considered the same, and said committee instructs me to report said bill back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass. The principal purpose of said bill is to amend sections 177, 163, 90, 92 and 82 of "An act to incorporate the city of Dallas, approved August 9, 1876."

The objectionable features of the bill are—1. It proposes to make a failure to pay the poll tax, therein authorized to be levied upon every male citizen of the city between the ages of 21 and 60 years, a criminal offense, which may be punished by fine, and, consequently, by imprisonment, on a failure to pay the fine. If such a provision is not violative of the letter of that section of the bill of rights which forbids imprisonment for debt, it is of its spirit.

2. It proposes to give the mayors' court of the city exclusive jurisdiction of certain offenses, of which justices' courts, by the State Constitution, have jurisdiction. Your committee do not think that constitutional jurisdiction of the justices' courts can be vested exclusively in mayors' courts.

3. Section 6 of the bill empowers the city council to pass ordinances regulating trade and commerce. If it was within the power of the Legislature to delegate such an authority, so nearly approaching, in its character, a law-making power, it is not thought consistent with good policy to do so, nor does there appear a necessity for such legislation.

4. The same section proposes to invest mayors' courts with jurisdiction over offenses for which the punishment may be fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or imprisonment in county jail for a period not exceeding six months. The State has thought it best, in the past, to reserve to her general courts jurisdiction over offenses so grave as to demand such punishment, and your committee can see no existing reason for a departure from that policy.

HIGHTOWER, for committee.

Bill read first time.

Senator Houston, chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 42, proposing to amend sections 3 and 4 of article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas so as to make the terms of State Senators six years and of Representatives four years, have considered the same, and I am instructed by a majority of your committee to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

HOUSTON, Chairman.

Resolution read first time.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor:

THE STATE OF TEXAS, EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
March 12, 1881.

To the Honorable Senate in the Legislature assembled:

I respectfully ask your advice and consent to the following appointments:

Mr. R. V. Bell of Cook county, to be District Attorney of the Tenth Judicial District.

Mr. Thomas I. Ponton of Gonzales county, to be District Attorney of the Nineteenth Judicial District.

Mr. C. K. Bell of Hamilton county, to be District Attorney of the Thirtieth Judicial District.

Respectfully,

O. M. ROBERTS, Governor.

Senator Davenport moved that the Senate go into executive session at 12:30 P. M., to-day, on the appointments made this morning by the Governor. Adopted unanimously.

Substitute Senate bill No. 131, "An act granting a land certificate of 1280 acres to each of the surviving soldiers of the Texas Revolution, and the surviving signers of the declaration of Texas Independence, and the surviving widows of such soldiers and signers, and to repeal an act, approved April 26, 1879, entitled 'an act granting a land certificate of 640 acres to each of the indigent veterans who was engaged in the struggle for Texas independence, prior to and at the battle of San Jacinto, enrolled under the act, approved July 28, 1876,' " with House amendments, was taken up, and, on motion of Senator Houston, House amendments were concurred in.

Substitute Senate bill No. 27, "An act concerning factors, commission merchants, and other agents, defining their rights and duties, and affixing penalties," was taken up, read third time, and passed.

Substitute Senate bill No. 82, "An act to provide for paying fees of sheriffs, constables, justices of the peace and county judges in certain cases," was taken up, read third time, and passed.

House joint resolution No. 48, "Granting the Hon. G. B. Gerald, Judge of the County Court of McLennan county, sixty days leave of absence from the State," was taken up, read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Ross, rules were suspended to place resolution on third reading, by the following vote:

YEAS—11.

Buchanan of Wood,	Houston,	Ross,
Cooper,	Lair,	Shannon,
Davenport,	Lightfoot,	Stewart,
Gooch,	Martin of Navarro,	Stubbs,
Harris,	Moore,	Terrell,
Henderson,	Powers,	Weatherred,
Homan,	Rainey,	Wynne.

NAYS—none.

NOT VOTING—5

Burges,	Duncan,	Lane.
Burton.	Hightower,	

Resolution read third time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—23.

Buchanan of Wood,	Lightfoot,	Shannon,
Cooper,	Martin of Cooke,	Stewart,
Davenport,	Martin of Navarro,	Stubbs,
Harris,	Moore,	Swain,
Henderson,	Patton,	Terrell,
Homan,	Powers,	Weatherred,
Houston,	Rainey,	Wynne.
Lair,	Ross,	

NAYS—none.

House bill No. 211, "An act to detach 5334 acres from Hill county, and attach the same to Johnson county, and define the line between said counties," was taken up, read second time, and passed to third reading.

House bill No. 267, "An act to amend article 1054, title 15, chapter 2, of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas," was taken up, read second time and passed to third reading.

Senate bill No. 97, "An act to amend articles 942 and 946, chapter 4, title 11, of the Code of Criminal Procedure," was taken up, and, on motion of Senator Henderson, postponed subject to call.

Senate bill No. 99, "An act to repeal article 451, title 17, chapter 7, of the Revised Civil Statutes," was taken up and read second time, with adverse report.

On motion of Senator Powers, the report was adopted, and bill lost.

Senate bill No. 100, "An act to repeal the third subdivision of article 4786, chapter 1, title 96, of the Revised Civil Statutes, 'trespass to try title,' " was taken up, read second time, with adverse report, and, on motion of Senator Powers the report was adopted, and bill lost.

Senate bill No. 101, "An act to amend article 4811, chapter 1, title 96, of the Revised Statutes, 'trespass to try title,' " was taken up, read second time, with adverse report, and, on motion of Senator Powers, the report was adopted, and bill lost.

Senate bill No. 103½, "An act to give married women the power to control, manage and dispose of their separate property, and prescribing the mode of authenticating their conveyances," was taken up, with unfavorable report, and, on motion of Senator Rainey, the report was adopted, and bill lost.

Senate bill No. 103, "An act to amend article 478, chapter 9, title 17, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, adopted February 21, 1879," was taken up, read second time, with committee amendment, and amendment adopted.

Senator Homan offered the following amendment: Add the following section:

The near approach of the close of the session creates an imperative public necessity, which justifies the suspension of the rule requiring this bill to be read on three several days, and said rule is suspended.

Adopted, and bill ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Harris, the rules were suspended to place the bill on its third reading by the following vote:

YEAS—24.

Cooper,	Lair,	Rainey,
Davenport,	Lane,	Ross,
Duncan,	Lightfoot,	Shannon,
Gooch,	Martin of Cooke,	Stewart,
Harris,	Martin of Navarro,	Stubbs,
Henderson,	Moore,	Terrell,
Homan,	Patton,	Weatherred,
Houston,	Powers,	Wynne.

NAYS—none.

NOT VOTING—6.

Buchanan of Wood,	Burges,	Hightower,
Buchanan of Grimes,	Burton,	Swain.

Bill read third time and passed.

Senate bill No. 105, "An act to amend article 2809 of 'an act to adopt and establish the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas,' passed March 17, 1879," was taken up with adverse report, and, on motion of Senator Lair, report adopted and bill lost.

Senate bill No. 106, "An act for the further relief of J. M. Bronson," was taken up and read second time.

Senator Lane offered the following amendment:

The near approach of the close of the session creates an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring this bill to be read on three several days be suspended; and it is so enacted.

Adopted, and bill ordered engrossed.

On motion Senator Lane, the rules were suspended to put the bill on its third reading by the following vote:

YEAS—26.

Buchanan of Wood,	Lair,	Ross,
Burton,	Lane,	Shannon,
Cooper,	Lightfoot,	Stewart,
Davenport,	Martin of Cooke,	Stubbs,
Duncan,	Martin of Navarro,	Swain,
Gooch,	Moore,	Terrell,
Harris,	Patton,	Weatherred,
Henderson,	Powers,	Wynne.
Hightower,	Rainey,	

NAYS—none.

NOT VOTING—4.

Buchanan of Grimes	Homan,	Houston.
Burges,		

Bill read third time and passed.

The following message was received the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881.

To the Honorable the Senate of the State of Texas:

I herewith respectfully submit the following names of persons for

the office of notaries public in the following senatorial districts: Second, Seventh, Thirteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth and Thirty-first; and in addition I also submit the following names and corrections of names before submitted to your honorable body:

James R. Johnston for notary in Limestone county, E. Marx for notary in Bowie county, P. T. Norwood for notary in Marion county, Daniel Moore, for notary in Red River county, A. J. Percell for notary in Bowie county, George Helms for notary in Delta county, W. A. Green for notary in Hopkins county, J. F. Jones for notary in Cass county, P. S. Watts for notary in Hardin county, O. R. Sholars and George R. Rawls for notaries in Jasper county, J. M. Pevito for notary in Jefferson county, J. W. L. Johnston for notary in Orange county, A. B. Green, W. W. Kimball and Oliver Delano for notaries in Tyler county.

In the list sent in for Wood county change the name of L. R. Bind to L. R. Bird; in Robertson county, place the name of F. H. Bailey instead of the name of H. F. Bailey, and in the county of Brazos add an "s" to the name of Buckholts.

Respectfully submitted,

O. M. ROBERTS, Governor.

SECOND DISTRICT.

For the county of Angelina: James G. McKnight, W. J. Townsend, N. W. Gann, James Sapp, James Gilliland, James Sims and J. D. Gann, new appointments.

For the county of Houston: W. J. Chaffin and B. F. Duran to succeed themselves; J. E. Downes, W. A. Champion and John Kennedy, new appointments; A. J. C. Dunham to succeed W. J. Murchison.

For the county of Nacogdoches: J. W. Murphy to succeed S. J. M. —; J. A. Purtle and William S. Patton to succeed themselves; H. V. Fall, O. F. Fears, Jesse K. Lloyd, Black Hardiman, James R. Sparks, William Martin, J. L. Langston, J. E. Love and Thomas Swift, new appointments; Matt W. Burke to succeed J. N. Buckner.

For the county of Sabine: S. D. Harp and J. M. Borders to succeed themselves; R. P. Sibley and C. W. Hammock, new appointments; M. Youngblood to succeed to succeed William W. Weathered.

For the county of San Augustine: A. C. Holmes and H. H. Johnston to succeed themselves; S. W. Blount, Rufus Price and John W. Head, new appointments.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Camp: John W. Hooper, Warren Barns, W. W. Fedrick, Gilbert Leroy and James Newsum, new appointments.

For the county of Gregg: J. M. Cornes, D. S. Jennings, E. R. Dodson, John Kilgore, E. M. Cabbiness, James Dillingham and T. J. Doyle, new appointments.

For the county of Smith: A. A. Copeland to succeed Martin Jernigan; Jeff. D. Burns to succeed himself; J. M. Castle, H. C. Huggins and J. B. Eason, new appointments; W. O. Murphey to succeed himself; M. Scott to succeed L. A. Secrest; G. W. Graves, new appointment; M. H. Robinson to succeed himself; T. O. Woldert to succeed T. James; John A. Hill, new appointment.

For the county of Upshur: Jesse M. Glasco, H. C. Cunliffe, Thomas Cranpitt, William Aaron and J. J. Evans, new appointments.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Dallas: A. H. Benner, H. B. Strange, J. H. Swindells, C. F. Tucker, J. E. Wolf, Franklin Field, L. H. Taylor, E. G. Bower, Richard Morgan, J. C. Rugel, A. K. Work and R. W. Goldthwaite, to succeed themselves; J. S. Downs to succeed W. H. Price; J. G. Stevens to succeed J. M. McCoy; J. B. Simpson to succeed J. W. Thompson; C. Bradford to succeed W. F. Cummings; R. S. Guy to succeed C. B. Wellborn; J. P. Goodnight to succeed R. A. Roberts; J. S. Strother to succeed William Harris; W. L. Hunter, new appointment.

For the county of Ellis: F. P. Howell, John Wiley, V. Sevier, Alex. Moseley, S. C. McCormick, R. H. Cook, J. M. Dixon, R. D. Aprice, W. T. M. Dickson, J. L. Check, R. G. Phillips, C. L. Edwards, R. M. Wyatt, W. H. Fears and J. N. Padget to succeed themselves; M. B. Templeton to succeed W. V. Waldrop; W. C. Burnett to succeed A. Rainey; L. W. Barker, R. P. Mackey and J. W. Couch, new appointments.

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Grimes: James M. Shaw, B. Tucker, W. W. Meachum, A. F. Brigance, Adrian Garvin, P. C. McKee, W. J. Callaway, John H. Wilson and George E. White to succeed themselves; J. S. Mills to succeed J. E. Teague; Walter Blaker to succeed B. H. Powell; Charles L. Keitler to succeed John R. Kennard; E. A. Cobeen, O. B. Caldwell, L. R. Wren and W. Bookman, new appointments; V. A. G. Beaumont to succeed Ferdinand Miller.

For the county of Madison: R. Mahomer, E. K. Goree and R. A. Rhodes to succeed themselves; J. F. Randolph, John Vennon, H. B. Cobb and J. D. Randolph, new appointments.

For the county of Trinity: J. W. Hamilton, W. M. Freeman and J. P. Stevenson to succeed themselves; S. A. Robb to succeed W. D. Shaw; W. F. Lister, Y. C. Clegg, Y. W. Randolph, T. D. Stanford, E. B. Bond and A. Burney, new appointments.

For the county of Walker: S. T. Burnes to succeed himself; R. A. Whitley, J. D. Cunningham, sr., D. D. Holland, J. R. Shaw, jr., J. H. Smith, G. W. Farris, Leo Kraus, J. T. Randolph, H. Brahan, J. A. Hill and C. A. Abercrombie, new appointments.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Fort Bend: J. M. Weston, to succeed himself; J. C. Williams, F. B. Chilton, R. H. Earnest, Walter Andrews, J. R. Waties, T. H. Taylor and S. R. Walker, new appointments.

For the county of Waller: A. J. Harvey, W. T. Andress, H. L. Rankin, T. S. Reese and B. F. Elliott, to succeed themselves; R. A. Glandish, new appointment; H. P. Downman, to succeed J. H. Brownlee; C. T. Booth, James W. Renfro, Thomas D. Pinkney and David J. Parker, new appointments; Thomas Griffin, to succeed himself.

For the county of Wharton: W. W. King, to succeed himself; I. N. Dennis, H. Compton, W. T. Hall, Thomas Taylor and J. Rusk, new appointments.

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Harris: Charles Ilfrey and William Halsey, to succeed themselves; T. H. Conklin, to succeed E. Smuler; A. L. Steele, Garrett Hardcastle, J. J. Gillespie, T. W. Archer, A. P. Tompkins, J. S. Sellers, Sam. Webb, F. M. Poland, W. N. Shaw, R. A. Girard and William Anders, to succeed themselves; M. Kirlicks, to succeed J. C. Kidd; E. B. H. Schneider, to succeed J. J. McKeever; J. T. Dickinson, to succeed William Palmer; James Baker, jr., to succeed James Ferguson; S. Taliaferro and A. C. Brooks, new appointments.

For the county of Montgomery: N. A. Cravens, O. W. Arnold and John N. Scott, to succeed themselves; B. H. Powell, F. A. Harrell and T. J. Peel, new appointments.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Galveston: J. M. Claiborne, S. S. Hanscom, John C. Walker, W. R. Johnson, C. P. Gardner, S. B. Davis, John J. Harcourt, I. Lovenberg, B. R. A. Scott, R. T. Byrne and C. M. Mason, to succeed themselves; Thomas L. Cross, J. T. Spann, J. W. Jockusch, Joseph Franklin, D. A. Spencer, D. G. Kelley, H. P. Angell and A. Sampson, new appointments; John Adriance, to succeed himself.

For the county of Brazoria: J. S. Rogers and A. Metcalf, to succeed themselves; W. F. Smith, B. F. Adkins, M. J. Hickery, J. A. Ballowe and W. F. Swain, new appointments.

For the county of Matagorda: W. C. Brame, to succeed himself; F. C. McCamley, J. L. Croom, jr., F. M. Hopp and W. A. Carter, new appointments.

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

For the county of Austin: S. B. Pier, G. T. Ross, George D. Neal, J. M. Kranchier and W. J. Glenn, to succeed themselves; Max. Meisner, new appointment; J. N. Daniel, to succeed John W. Lott; James H. Shelburn, to succeed E. R. Thomas; F. B. Chilton and Peter Harvey, new appointments; Charles Kork, to succeed himself.

For the county of Burleson: N. M. Thornton, to succeed himself; J. M. Jackson, Thomas R. Batte, Thomas C. Thompson, C. C. Harvey and G. W. Tanner, new appointments.

For the county of Washington: Randolph Krug, W. H. Vinson, H. Jeffries, D. K. Ponce, T. J. Newman, H. E. Williams, Ben. S. Rogers and J. C. Bennett, to succeed themselves; Frank Chase, to succeed C. C. Garrett; Pinkney Hawkins, W. C. Broesche, Henry Muller, O. H. P. Garrett and George P. Burke, new appointments.

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

For the county of Bell: H. H. Parker, B. B. Seat, John M. Furman, R. H. Taylor, J. Crawford Roberts, George J. Butler, Ed. T. Rucker, H. E. Bradford, S. J. Brown, J. W. Zimmerman and W. E. Hosborough, to succeed themselves; W. Y. McFarland, to succeed John L. Lee; W. K. Saunders, D. H. Hardy, William R. Houston, H. C. Surghnor, R. L. Chalk, B. F. Fields, N. C. Edwards and J. A. Gray, new appointments.

For the county of Falls: George A. Hodges, J. T. Somerville, M. A. Westcott, Mat. Jones, J. R. McDonald, W. J. Finks, Ed. McCullough and Leonard Magee, to succeed themselves; J. D. Wright, to succeed C. H. Pidcocke.

For the county of Milam: B. J. Arnold, W. D. Hill, James Peeler, A. S. Russell, J. S. Perry and J. C. Rogers, to succeed themselves; M. O. Lee, A. G. Wilcox, B. T. Middleton, John D. Freeman, A. M. Crockett, Albert Horn and J. H. Tracy, new appointments; John Crank, to succeed himself.

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

For the county of Hill: W. M. Vaughn, J. T. Wade, D. A. Griffin, J. L. Hawkins, Jessie Hays and W. C. Griffin, to succeed themselves; R. A. Tanner to succeed Joseph Cole; E. O. Call, Thomas B. Love, W. J. Wright, John B. Thompson, Wm. Y. Chinn, C. Veale and J. A. Mayfield, new appointments; L. C. Dyer to succeed H. N. Spooner.

For the county of Johnson: C. Y. Kouns, W. M. Scurlock, J. M. Ocell, G. H. Maxey and B. B. House, to succeed themselves; John R. Ransome, W. L. Williams, Joseph Willcher; Samuel Hughes and W. J. Rutledge.

For the county of McLennan: Thomas A. Blair, W. S. Baker, M. Surratt, Thomas L. McGhee, R. G. Pidcocke, D. A. Kelley, T. D. Penry, Felix H. Robertson, John T. Walton, E. A. McKinney, J. W. Speight, Thomas C. Smith, T. B. Cox and W. F. Chaistie, to succeed themselves; W. C. Barnett, J. F. Miles, W. D. Chambers, M. M. McKnight, Orlando Wheat and Edward Brown, new appointments.

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

For the county of Baylor: E. Reiman to succeed himself; Wm. Mantland, Samuel Abercrombie and W. E. Preston, new appointments.

For the county of Clay: P. M. Stine to succeed H. K. Seven; W. G. Enstice, W. A. Graham, J. W. Cook, A. C. Thompson, L. C. Barrett and John J. Mullins, to succeed themselves; W. A. Squires to succeed T. B. Reese; G. P. Mead, R. M. Donley, Wm. Cunningham and J. N. Tindall, new appointments.

For the county of Donley: James H. Parks to succeed himself.

For the county of Jack: F. G. Bransford and James Robinson, to succeed themselves; Edward Wolfarth and E. W. Nickleson, new appointments.

For the county of Montague: J. R. Fortson, Wm. H. Grigsby, John H. Stephens, J. S. Love, J. H. Boggess and Wade Atkins, to succeed themselves; Stirling P. Huff to succeed W. S. Jamison; Chas. J. Hale, Wm. R. Bellows, L. C. McNatt, E. W. Giles and R. A. Hutchison, sr., new appointments.

For the county of Parker: H. S. Moran, P. F. Brannon, A. B. Kindle, George McCall and V. G. Frost, to succeed themselves; L. C. Heifrin to succeed J. R. Martin; Mack B. Roach and Henry P. DuBellett, new appointments.

For the county of Tarrant: J. T. Morehead, Zane Cetti, W. E. Kneeland, G. W. Jopling, Cyrus Lamborn, J. L. Morris, George Finger, George Mulkey, C. C. Cummings, W. H. Aldridge and J. K. Allen, to succeed themselves; Thomas Walden to succeed T. A. Nance; R. C. McPhail to succeed J. P. Booth; A. F. Lacy to succeed Thomas Bratton; Sam Furman to succeed J. C. Scott; Hyde Jennings to succeed J. Q. St. Clair; J. L. Hill to succeed A. J. Chambers; G. Nance and H. E. Valentine, new appointments; Denison D. Wall to succeed J. K. Hayter.

For the county of Wichita: J. H. Barwise.

For the county of Wheeler: W. N. McRamey to succeed himself; A. L. Neal and E. D. Sankay, new appointments.

For the county of Wise: J. M. O'Neil, to succeed himself; J. W. Greenfield, to succeed H. D. Donald; W. H. Bullock, Lee Newton, J. B. Ford, L. A. Crane, W. H. Mershon, to succeed themselves; L. C. Sparkman, John Brown, J. W. Hale, J. T. Bellows, J. W. Cleverland, J. A. Utley, A. C. Long, W. C. Carmon, L. J. Randall, A. L. Deveren, B. F. Banks, John A. Gordon, new appointments; Edward Newton, to succeed Theodore Merriman.

For the county of Young: L. E. Branning, to succeed himself; E. T. Hilliard, new appointment.

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Bosque: A. R. Barry, to succeed himself; W. D. Thomasson, Wm. Y. Chain, W. A. River, James A. Gillett, Geo. W. Laverton, Wm. H. Smith, W. F. Buchanan, J. L. Sayers, Peter Pierson, Phil. Williams, J. H. Gouldy, new appointments.

For the county of Brown: John Y. Rankin, Henry H. Luckett, B. Gandy, to succeed themselves; John W. Goodwin, W. H. Scott, new appointments.

For the county of Comanche: J. M. Gaiser, Robert F. Childs, E. L. Shropshire, to succeed themselves; Luther Lester, J. W. Hill, new appointments.

For the county of Callahan: Samuel L. Chalk, to succeed himself.

For the county of Coleman: E. A. Lindsay, new appointment.

For the county of Coryell: J. C. Gouldy, to succeed himself; W. I. Cole, to succeed R. M. Cole; W. H. Robert, jr., to succeed himself; W. D. Clark, D. C. Smith, T. J. Bennett, T. H. Baker, John T. Meek, C. G. Bennett, new appointments.

For the county of Eastland: T. R. Hill, C. U. Cunnelle, to succeed themselves; F. B. Stanley, W. L. Calhoun, new appointments.

For the county of Erath: L. E. Gillette, L. N. Frank, to succeed themselves; C. H. Rose, R. L. Childs, J. D. St. Clair, new appointments.

For the county of Hamilton: M. S. Burk, J. A. Edison, to succeed

themselves; J. M. Evans, F. H. Snider, C. W. Cotton, new appointments.

For the county of Hood: John P. Estis, Theos. T. Ewell, C. J. Meek, J. M. Chadwick, A. T. Howell, new appointments.

For the county of Mitchell: J. F. Bozeman, J. A. Hendley, Robert A. Jeffrees, new appointments.

For the county of Nolan: W. H. Cowan, new appointment.

For the county of Palo Pinto: Geo. C. Lewis, J. H. Straughter, J. K. P. Shirley, C. W. Massie, new appointments; J. C. Lon, to succeed himself.

For the county of Somervell: W. H. Baker, to succeed himself; E. D. McCoy, Jesse Kimball, J. W. Turner, Mart. Martin, new appointments.

For the county of Stevens: Wm. Veal, to succeed himself; R. A. McNeilly, new appointment.

For the county of Taylor: S. P. Cunningham, new appointment; J. S. Porter, R. P. Roberts, H. M. Henderson, C. W. Holt.

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Burnett: E. J. Moses, C. C. Stewart, T. E. Hammond, to succeed themselves; Wm. Hotchkiss, Albert Gerscke, A. A. Porter, Norton Moses, new appointments.

For the county of Lampasas: A. G. Walker, W. B. Abney, to succeed themselves; W. H. Hawkins, W. E. Adkins, S. W. Alexander, new appointments.

For the county of Williamson: L. M. Mays, Sidney Seymour, R. H. Price, S. C. Taylor, H. B. Shepard, to succeed themselves; J. H. Blanton, Chas. Morelle, J. B. Wright, A. G. Gannaway, new appointments.

For the county of Travis: W. P. Gaines, Irving Eggleston, W. S. Hotchkiss, H. DeCordova, E. W. Shands, N. S. Walton, J. D. Sheeks, Osceola Archer, H. B. Barnhart, J. W. Lawrence, J. E. Rector, W. von Rosenberg, F. Everett, J. R. Johnson and D. G. Wooten, to succeed themselves; A. M. Jackson, to succeed Z. T. Fulmore; H. L. Shelley, to succeed E. Summerrow; Thad Thompson, to succeed Albert Brown; M. S. Dunn, J. D. Easton, W. D. Williams, new appointment.

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Bastrop: G. A. Orgain, to succeed F. A. Organ; S. W. Riggs, to succeed himself; C. P. Hopkins, W. A. Highsmith, C. C. Watterson, Murry Burleson, Henry Wamble, John M. Finney, John Oatman, R. W. Hubbard, Watt Farmer and B. F. Jones, new appointments; J. W. Kennedy, W. B. Patton and R. P. Jones, to succeed themselves.

For the county of Fayette: E. C. Phelps, Herman Roeder, A. C. Lenert, Carl Amberg, Charles Luck, A. Henderson, G. G. Moore and Adolph Groos, to succeed themselves; A. D. Paulus, to succeed Stefan Kubala; A. J. Rosenthal, to succeed A. Haidusek; John St. Urby, to succeed Joseph Ehligier; G. W. Ranford, to succeed A. F. Dornwell; W. H. Thomas, W. P. Darleez and A. E. Falke, new appointments; James Marburger, to succeed W. S. Chunn; Henry Parma, to succeed J. I. Campbell; Autan Nersta, to succeed Chas. Bruner; W. H. Perry, to succeed Neil Robinson; C. C. Baner, to succeed himself.

For the county of Lee: Wm. M. Burns and C. G. Jungurichael to succeed themselves; R. A. Flanniken, F. S. Wade, J. A. Nesbit, A. F. Rainwater and V. B. Shearn, new appointments.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Colorado: W. B. McCormick, to succeed C. D. Barnett; French Simpson and H. C. Everett, to succeed themselves; J. B. McKennon, to succeed J. C. Kindred; B. H. Neal, to succeed J. F. Leyendecker.

For the county of Gonzales: W. S. Fly, S. F. Winston, T. B. Littel, J. J. Thomas and W. F. King, to succeed themselves; J. C. Gillespie and W. B. Friederick, new appointments.

For the county of Lavaca: John Woods, H. K. Judd, C. C. Haynes and Jesse Green, to succeed themselves; Jordan Johnson and Henry Kuhne, new appointments; W. D. Watson, to succeed R. F. Skrehat.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Aransas: C. F. Bailey, to succeed himself; R. T. Byrne and Wm. Fulford, new appointments.

For the county of Atacosa: John M. Kemper, W. H. Smith, J. Bowyer, J. L. McCaleb, new appointments.

For the county of Bee: W. E. Johnson and J. C. Beasley, to succeed themselves.

For the county of Calhoun: C. W. Short, F. C. Rohoe, C. W. Hartup and J. M. Brickford, to succeed themselves.

For the county of DeWitt: Joseph Corey, C. G. Hartman, Otto Starker and Rudolph Kleberg, to succeed themselves; G. H. Schleicher, Wm. Wagner, Fritz Schewitz, Morritz Reidel and W. T. Eichholz, new appointments.

For the county of Goliad: W. F. Miller, to succeed himself; R. J. Horton, G. W. Merriwether, H. C. Falz and J. Lewless, new appointments.

For the county of Jackson: J. R. Sandford, J. W. Allen and J. D. Owens, to succeed themselves; J. E. Delaney and L. Garrett, new appointments.

For the county of Karnes: L. D. Cook, L. C. Tobin and A. D. Evans, new appointments.

For the county of Refugio: L. B. Russell, to succeed himself; R. P. Clarkson, new appointment; James Martin, to succeed Edward S. Atkinson.

For the county of Wilson: J. W. Anderson, E. R. Tanner, A. L. Gilmore, S. P. Wiseman and P. L. Buquor new appointments; A. J. Williams, to succeed himself.

For the county of Victoria: C. Le Sage, J. S. Munn, F. R. Pridham, A. B. Petcolas, J. E. Carpenter, E. M. Phelps, to succeed themselves; Wm. Schmidt, to succeed W. H. Innis; M. M. Goodwin and States W. Hill, new appointments.

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

For the county of Cameron: A. C. Howell, Jesse Dennett, H. L. Lowlett, George G. Davis, E. C. Forto, to succeed themselves; F. M. Campbell, J. I. P. Franklin and B. O. Hick, new appointments.

For the county of Duval: George V. Hale, new appointment; C. F. Whitney, J. W. Moses and James O. Luby, to succeed themselves.

For the county of Frio: D. T. Price, to succeed himself; L. S. White, W. T. Mearyweather, B. T. Heart and A. S. Curiton, new appointments.

For the county of Dimmitt: F. Vandervoort, J. C. Carr, Sam Kellogg, S. N. Hardy and Levy English, new appointments.

For the county of Hidalgo: A. J. Leo, new appointment.

For the county of Kinney: W. W. Arnett, W. W. Lambert, B. L. Temple, John W. Thompson, C. C. Clamp, C. S. Broadbent, new appointments.

For the county of Live Oak: R. H. Brown, J. C. Cade and Thos. Church, new appointments.

For the county of Maverick: W. Kelso, J. S. Sproull, D. M. Sevier, Albert Turpe, Joe Bacuss, new appointments.

For the county of Medina: H. J. Richarz and Leslie Thompson, new appointments; Charles De Montel, to succeed himself.

For the county of McMullen: C. F. Hives, M. W. C. Frazier, W. A. Iowa, M. H. Martin, F. M. Iowa, new appointments.

For the county of Nueces: Lafayette Caldwell, new appointment; F. E. McManus, Stanley Welch, M. T. Gaffney, W. H. Robinson, E. A. McCampbell, J. W. Ward, W. A. Ball, C. Cahill, Wm. J. Robinson, to succeed themselves; John M. Swisher, jr., D. McNeill, Turner, Charles L. Lege, G. R. Scott, Reuben Holbein and Payton Smythe, new appointments.

For the county of Nolan: W. H. Cowan, new appointment.

For the county of San Patricio: T. H. O'Callagan, to succeed himself; S. G. Borden, new appointment.

For the county of Starr: M. Wygant, John E. Mix, George Davis, James J. Nix, Samuel J. Stewart, J. H. Edwards, J. P. Kelsey, new appointments.

For the county of Webb: Jose Ma. Rodriguez, Angus Ford, Juan V. Benavides, to succeed themselves; J. L. Bartlett, Charles C. Price, Calletano Garza, Christobal Benavides, Lewis Oriz, Dario Sanches, new appointments.

For the county of LaSalle: George H. Mills, F. B. Earnest, W. A. Waugh, W. A. Stewart, — Colwell, new appointments.

THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

For the county of Bandera: W. J. Hamilton, to succeed himself; J. B. Johnson, J. A. Angelin, new appointments.

For the county of Bexar: Max Neuendorff, Elias Edmunds, W. G. M. Samuel, J. F. Lockwood, W. W. Herron, J. A. Frazer, J. L. Trueheart, J. J. Stevens, John Rosenheimer, Edward Miles, G. W. Caldwell, P. H. Ward and J. R. Mason, to succeed themselves; B. J. Boone, to succeed J. B. Loyd; Bryan Callaghan, to succeed J. H. McLeary; J. L. Humphreys, to succeed H. Klocke; John E. Ochse, to succeed S. G. Newton; J. E. Smith, to succeed F. C. Gotarri; J. H. Copeland, to succeed W. H. Young.

For the county of Comal: F. Hampe, to succeed himself; J. D. Guinn, C. A. Groos, Randolph Laurence, Harman Seele, new appointments.

For the county of El Paso: A. Krakhauser, to succeed himself; Lewis V. Reed, C. Q. Stanton, W. H. Austin, G. W. Wahl, J. A. Buckler, Wm. Marsh, J. R. Blacker, Joseph Sweeney, new appointments.

For the county of Gillespie: Julius Schuchard, to succeed himself; C. C. Callin.

For the county of Kerr: W. D. Drown, to succeed himself; G. R. Parsons, R. H. Burney, new appointments.

For the county of Kimble: W. A. Williams, to succeed himself.

For the county of Kendall: W. K. Jones, Theo. Wedenfeldt, F. W. Schweppe, to succeed themselves.

For the county of Mason: Calvin Thaxton, G. W. Todd, to succeed themselves; Franz Bernhard, John O. Mensebach, Charles Keller, Samuel Sharpe, new appointments.

For the county of Menard: H. J. M. Bridge, new appointment. For the county of Pecos: W. F. Corbett, to succeed himself; W. S. Lembert, E. W. Bates. Joseph Friedlande and C. Torres, new appointments.

For the county of Presidio: William Russell, John M. Dean, John Davis and Samuel R. Miller, new appointments.

For the county of Tom Green: N. A. Osmer and Charles B. Metcalf, new appointments.

For the county of Edwards: R. H. Wells, new appointment.

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

For the county of Blanco: A. W. Moursund, to succeed himself; W. H. Henderson and W. A. Wright, new appointments.

For the county of Caldwell: John W. Campbell, C. B. Collins, Wm. B. Walker, to succeed themselves; R. R. Safferron, to succeed W. E. Field; J. C. Lamb to succeed B. T. Palmer; J. F. Cahill, to succeed L. L. French.

For the county of Guadalupe: A. M. Erskine, S. L. McCullech, Oscar Starke, H. S. Hastings, to succeed themselves; N. Henderson, C. H. Word, S. M. Holmes, new appointments.

For the county of Llano: J. W. Davis, to succeed R. A. McInnis; E. H. Wilkes, E. Krewetz, R. F. Roundtree and G. W. Latham, new appointments.

For the county of Hays: Sterling Fisher, Isaac H. Julian, H. B. Coffield, F. R. Malone, to succeed themselves; O. T. Brown, E. A. Vaughn, Otto Groos, David Lynch and W. M. Wyatt, new appointments.

For the county of McCulloch: Walter Anderson, to succeed Tom O'Bryan.

For the county of San Saba: G. B. Cooke, to succeed himself; J. Frazer Brown, new appointment.

STATE OF TEXAS, EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881. }

To the Honorable Senate of the State of Texas:

I herewith respectfully submit the following names of persons for the office of notaries public, in the following senatorial district:

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

For Anderson county: A. B. Langermann, whose name has been sent in as successor to Geo. W. Angle, but was by mistake spelled "A. B. Langerman," leaving off the letter "n;" Zack Horn, N. F. Saddler, W. R. Miller and John Huddleston.

For Cherokee county: A. J. Chessher, to succeed himself, and Martin L. Earle, who has been appointed to succeed him, shall not be his successor, but constitute a new appointment. The name of J. F. Templeton is withdrawn and W. C. Bolton is appointed in his stead and to succeed him; W. J. Crosby. Abb Harrison, Porter Cornelison and R. D. Solmon.

Respectfully,

O. M. ROBERTS, Governor.

Senator Powers moved that the Senate go into executive session at 12:30 p. m. to consider the appointment of notaries public contained in the message of the Governor just received. Adopted unanimously.

Senator Patton moved to reconsider the vote just taken. Adopted, and the vote reconsidered.

Senator Patton moved that Senate go into executive session, on appointments in the Governor's last message, on Monday morning, just after the morning call. Adopted.

Senate bill No. 107, "An act to reorganize the Tenth Judicial District, and to establish the Thirty-fifth Judicial District, and to prescribe the times of holding courts therein, and to provide for the appointment of a district judge and district attorney," was taken up, and, on motion of Senator Shannon, was laid on the table.

Senator Terrell, by leave, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred House bill No. 39, entitled "An act to amend article 506, of title 7, chapter 11, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to towns and villages," have duly considered the same, and a majority of said committee instruct me to report said bill back to the Senate and recommend that it do pass.

TERRELL, Chairman.

Bill read first time.

Senate bill No. 109, "An act to amend section 2 of 'an act to require persons enclosing public free school lands to

pay an annual rent therefor,' approved April 17, 1879," was taken up, read second time, and committee amendment adopted.

Senator Lane offered the following amendment:

The near approach of the close of the session creates an imperative public necessity, that the constitutional rule requiring this bill to read on three several days be suspended; and it is so enacted.

Adopted, and bill ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Lane, rules were suspended to place the bill on its third reading by the following vote:

YEAS—24.

Buchanan of Wood,	Houston,	Powers,
Cooper,	Lair,	Rainey,
Davenport,	Lane,	Ross,
Gooch,	Lightfoot,	Shannon,
Harris,	Martin of Cooke,	Stubbs,
Henderson,	Martin of Navarro,	Terrell,
Hightower,	Moore,	Weatherred,
Homan,	Patton,	Wynne.

NAYS—none.

NOT VOTING—6.

Buchanan of Grimes,	Burton,	Stewart,
Burges,	Duncan,	Swain.

Bill read third time and passed.

On motion of Senator Homan, the chaplain was excused till Tuesday morning.

(Senator Powers in the chair.)

Senate bill No. 110, "An act to amend chapter 3, title 20 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of the Texas, passed by the Sixteenth Legislature, by adding another article, to be known as article 502a," was taken up and read second time.

On motion of Senator Terrell, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 111, "An act to provide for the sale and lease of the unappropriated public lands of the State of Texas, and the investment of the proceeds of such sale and lease," was taken up, with adverse report.

On motion of Senator Cooper, the report and bill were laid on the table subject to call.

Senator Terrell moved to take up House joint resolution No. 37 from the table. Adopted.

Senator Houston, by consent, withdrew his motion to reconsider the vote passing the above resolution to its third reading on yesterday.

Senator Houston moved a call of the Senate. Call sustained.

Roll called. Absent—Senators Duncan, Harris, Lane, Buchanan of Grimes and Burges.

Pending business went to the table.

Senate bill No. 113, "An act to prescribe the requisites of the index to records of deeds to land and fix a penalty for failing to keep the same as required," was taken up, read second time and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Henderson, Senator Buchanan of Grimes, was excused on account of sickness, by the following vote:

YEAS—24.

Buchanan of Wood,	Hightower,	Moore,
Burton,	Homan,	Patton,
Cooper,	Houston,	Powers,
Davenport,	Lair,	Rainey,
Duncan,	Lane,	Shannon,
Gooch,	Lightfoot,	Stubbs,
Harris,	Martin of Cooke,	Weatherred,
Henderson,	Martin of Navarro,	Wynne.

NAYS—none.

NOT VOTING—4.

Ross,	Swain,	Terrell.
Stewart,		

A message was received from the House, announcing the passage by that body of House bill No. 242, "An act to

amend article 472, of title 95, chapter 3, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, approved February 21, 1879, and to provide for the payment of assessors and collectors of State and county taxes."

Also, that the House refuses to concur in Senate amendments to House bill No. 482, "An act to amend articles 4662 and 4664, of chapter 1, title 95, of the Revised Statutes, adopted February 28, 1879;" and that it has passed the Senate concurrent resolution, with reference to adjournment, with an amendment.

On motion of Senator Duncan, the Senate took up the concurrent resolution just reported from the House, with an amendment fixing the time for final adjournment on the first day of April next.

Senator Lane moved to postpone the consideration of the resolution until Monday next.

Senator Buchannan of Grimes moved the previous question. Motion seconded and the Senate refused to order the main question.

Senator Lane withdrew his motion to postpone.

Senator Gooch moved the previous question on the resolution. Motion seconded and main question ordered.

The Senate concurred in the House amendment to Senate joint resolution on adjournment by the following vote:

YEAS—18.

Buchanan of Wood,	Homan,	Patton,
Cooper,	Lair,	Powers,
Duncan,	Lane,	Stewart,
Gooch,	Lightfoot,	Stubbs,
Henderson,	Martin of Cooke,	Terrell,
Hightower,	Martin of Navarro,	Wynne.

NAYS—11.

Buchanan of Grimes,	Houston,	Shannon,
Burton,	Moore,	Swain,
Davenport,	Rainey,	Weatherred.
Harris,	Ross,	

Senator Patton moved that Senator Burges be excused, on account of sickness. Adopted by the following vote:

YEAS—28.

Buchanan of Grimes	Houston,	Rainey,
Buchanan of Wood,	Lair,	Ross,
Cooper,	Lane,	Shannon,
Davenport,	Lightfoot,	Stewart,
Duncan,	Martin of Cooke,	Stubbs,
Gooch,	Martin of Navarro,	Swain,
Harris,	Moore,	Terrell,
Henderson,	Patton,	Weatherred,
Hightower,	Powers,	Wynne.
Homan,		

NAYS—none.

NOT VOTING.

Burton.

On motion Senator Gooch, Senator Lane was excused from the eighteenth instant to the twenty-sixth instant, inclusive.

Senator Wynne, chairman of Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment, by leave, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

A majority of your Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment would beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the reapportionment of the State into senatorial and representative apportionment, and submit for the consideration of the Senate the accompanying bill, reapportioning the State into senatorial and representative districts. Your committee would state that they met the committee from the House upon Senatorial and Representative Apportionment, and it was agreed in joint committee that the senatorial committee on apportionment, should apportion the State into senatorial districts, and that the House committee should apportion the State into representative districts, and that the action of the two committees should be reported to each branch of the Legislature, as the action of the joint committee; that your Sen-

ate committee proceeded under said agreement to apportion the State into senatorial districts, and reported the same to the chairman of the House committee on the eleventh instant; that the chairman of the House committee did not furnish chairman of Senate committee with report of action of House committee until 11 o'clock A. M., this day, hence the delay in this report.

WYNNE, Chairman

Bill read first time.

On motion of Senator Duncan, Senator Homan was excused until Tuesday morning next.

The following message was received from his Excellency, the Governor:

THE STATE OF TEXAS, EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881.

To the Honorable Senate of the State of Texas:

I herewith submit the name of Reagan Houston for notary public in Bexar county, left out by mistake in the list sent in for Bexar county.

Respectfully,

O. M. ROBERTS, Governor.

On motion of Senator Martin of Cooke, Senator Harris was excused indefinitely after the twenty-second instant.

Senator Buchanan of Grimes, chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate bills No. 284, "An act to appropriate twenty thousand dollars to enable the Governor and heads of departments to procure the aid of a first-class architect to aid in selecting a suitable plan for the new State capitol, and to enable them to perform any and every thing necessary to be done in and about the construction of said capitol, and to protect the interest of the State;" No. 161, "An act to amend article 756 of chapter 12 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, prescribing regulations for butchers in cities, towns or villages, and a penalty for the violation thereof;" No. 138, "An act for the relief of Thomas B. Hearne;" No. 228, "An act to amend the stock law;" No. 200, "An act prescribing the time of holding the district courts of the Twenty-third Judicial District;" No. 130, "An act authorizing district courts to transfer cases of administration of estates of deceased persons, and guardianships of minors, persons of unsound mind and habitual drunkards, pending before them, to the county courts;" No. 203, "An act to amend article 2393, chapter 3, of title 42 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to compensation for ex-officio services of clerks of county courts;" No. 246, "An act to provide for the pay of jury commissioners;" No. 245, "An act to amend article 2392 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, regulating the amounts to be allowed district clerks for certain services;" No. 233, "An act to amend title 25 of the Revised Civil Statutes, by adding another article, 989a, providing that the county treasurer shall be the custodian of moneys arising from the sale of county school lands, and give bond for the safe keeping of the same;" and find the same correctly engrossed.

BUCHANAN of Grimes, Chairman.

Senate announced full.

Senate joint resolution No. 37, pending on the call of the Senate, was resumed. Resolution read third time, and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—28.

Buchanan of Grimes	Homan,	Powers,
Buchanan of Wood,	Houston,	Rainey,
Burges,	Lair,	Ross,
Cooper,	Lane,	Shannon,
Davenport,	Lightfoot,	Stubbs,
Duncan,	Martin of Cooke,	Swain,
Gooch,	Martin of Navarro,	Terrell,
Harris,	Moore,	Weathered,
Henderson,	Patton,	Wynne.
Hightower,		

NAYS.

Stewart,

The hour having arrived, the Senate went into executive session.

IN SENATE.

Senator Duncan moved that the action of the Senate in executive session, on certain appointments sent in by the Governor, be entered on the journals of the same, and be reported to his Excellency. Adopted.

It is accordingly stated that the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment of R. V. Bell, of Cooke county, to be district attorney of the Tenth Judicial District of the State; Thomas I. Ponton, of Gonzales county, to be district attorney of the Nineteenth Judicial District; C. K. Bell, of Hamilton county, to be district attorney of the Thirtieth Judicial District.

Senator Homan moved that the Senate adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. Withdrawn.

Senator Patton, by leave, submitted the following reports:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on State Affairs have examined Senate bill No. 250, entitled "An act for the relief of parties who have purchased, at tax sale, lands situated in the organized counties of this State that have been sold in error," and a majority of said committee direct me to return the same to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

PATTON, Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on State Affairs have considered Senate bill No. 226, entitled "An act authorizing the Anglo-American Land and Claim Association to purchase, hold and acquire, and to sell or otherwise dispose of real or personal property in the State of Texas," and they report that the said association may obtain the objects sought by this bill by incorporating under the laws of the State, and they recommend that this bill do not pass.

PATTON, Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 12, 1881.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration Senate bill No. 196, entitled "An act to create the office of State Register, and to define the duties, powers and compensation of such officer," and they direct me to report that while they do not urge any objection to the general purpose of the bill, yet they find in it so many objectionable features that they deem it inadvisable to attempt any action of the bill at this late day of session, and to recommend that it do not pass.

PATTON, Chairman.

Bill read first time.

Senator Lane introduced a bill entitled "An act supplementary to 'an act to create the county of John Upton and define the boundaries thereof,' passed March 7, 1881." Read by caption, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A message was received from the House, announcing the passage by that body of the following bills:

House bill No. 427, entitled "An act to provide for designating and setting apart three hundred leagues of land out of the unappropriated public domain for the benefit of the unorganized counties of the State, and to provide for the survey and location of the same."

Senate bill No. 72, entitled "An act to procure from the publishing house owning the copyrights certain volumes of the early reports of the Supreme Court of the State," with amendments.

Senate bill No. 12, entitled "An act to amend articles 111 and 112, chapter 5, of 'an act to adopt and establish a Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure for the State of Texas,' passed at the regular session, A. D. 1879."

On motion of Senator Duncan, the Senate adjourned until 9:30 A. M. on Monday next.